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Patent Attorney's Docket No. <u>003510-089</u>

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In re Pa	tent Application of	EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - RESPONSE UNDER				
Yoshuiy	uki Yasui et al.	37 C.F.R. § 1.116				
Applicat	tion No.: 0 824,143	·				
Filed:	April 3, 2001) Group Art Unit: 3683				
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Sir:		MAR 1 2 2004				
Enc	closed is a reply for the above-identified par	ent application.				
[]	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. GROUP 36					
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer and the [] \$55.0 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.	0 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37				
[]	Also enclosed is/are					
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.					
[]	tion under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).					
	[] Applicant(s) requests that any previentered. Continued examination is identified above.	ously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be requested based on the enclosed documents				
	[] Applicant(s) previously submitted _ requested.	, on, for which continued examination is				
	does not exceed three months from	action by the Office until at least, which the filing of this RCE, in accordance with d fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.				

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[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a)
	(1809/2809) is also enclosed.

- [X] No additional claim fee is required.
- [] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

		AMENDED	CLAIM	S . The state of t		
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADD'L FEE	
Total Claims	7	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00	
Independent Claims	$1 MINUS 3 = 0 \times $86.00 (1201) =$		0.00			
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$290.00 (1203)						
Total Claim Amendment Fee						
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee						
TOTAL ADDITIONA	L CLAIM F	EE DUE FOR TH	IS AMENDM	ENT	0.00	

[]	A check in the amou	int of \$	is enclosed	for the fee due.
[]	Charge \$	to Deposit Account N	lo. 02-4800.	

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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